

## Church News.

### FROM LANARK, ILL.

Since our last report from this church, one has been baptized and last Sunday morning two more came out and confessed Christ. While we all were rejoiced to see these come, yet a husband was there to see his dear companion come to Christ, and a dear old mother was there to see the little daughter come and "remember her Creator in the days of her youth."

We noticed too that in that same audience sat wives and husbands, fathers and mothers, brothers and sisters, whose hearts went out for those who are yet unconverted, while some wept for joy others wept because of the indifference of their dear ones.

While we are always glad to report accessions to the church, yet we are glad to say that the *Lanark church is at work*. Our hindrances are kindred to all churches, but we try to overcome them and move onward.

Brother Z. T. Livengood has been elected pastor for another year beginning October 1. We pray that this year will be the best year for Christ that the Lanark church has ever given Him and by his help we will work to that end.

B. F. PUTERBAUGH.

### FROM NEW PARIS, IND.

The Elkhart County Union Meeting will be held at New Paris, October 3, commencing at 10 A. M. Communion services in the evening. Come brethren, come and help us make it a meeting long to be remembered. Come, help to make soul cheering, soul inspiring and soul firing as we never had before. Let us have some of the convention fire of Winona Park that we may be bettered, that we may be animated, that we may do something and be something for Christ. I repeat, come! Come from far and near and you will be cared for. Ministering brethren, a special call to them.

Your sister in the work,  
LUCINDA MAYSE.

### FROM NEW TROY, MICH.

As there has been no report from the brethren at this place for a long time I will try and write a few lines.

Our K. C. Society is doing nicely and has a large membership. The Ladies S. S. C. E. is growing and they are working with great earnestness. The next meeting will be at Sister Grandma Englishes. The brethren have hired Rev. L. A. Hazlett from Mulberry, Ind., for our pastor for the coming year. He preaches every two weeks. He has preached 6 sermons

and we are all greatly pleased with him. He delivered a sermon to the young people last Sunday evening, and he had a large and appreciative audience. The sermon was entitled "Christian Manhood."

Rev. Brother Ruse from Buchanan, the pastor of the German Baptist church near that place attended the morning service at our church last Sunday, and assisted in song and prayer service, which was greatly appreciated by those present, as he is a great Christian worker. Brother John English and wife of this place attended the late Conference, and returned, bringing back good reports. Pray for us.

Sept. 8. GRACE REYNOLDS.

### HERE AND THERE.

It was my pleasure to spend two Sundays in August with the First Brethren Church of Pittsburg, Pa. I must say the church is alive, and that love burns brightly in their church home. It was my first experience in city work, and I must say I appreciated the change from rural to urban life with all its attendant changes. My work while there was agreeable and pleasant, made so by willing hands and cheerful hearts.

May our work in the cities be blest. From Pittsburg I wended my way to Warsaw, via. Ashland, and was permitted to be a recipient of much benefit at the National Conference.

I am now at North Manchester. Last Sunday I preached to an appreciative congregation here. I shall attend school here and do what work time and opportunity may afford. WM. H. MILLER.

North Manchester, Ind.

### FROM FLORA, IND.

To my friends who are anxious to know how serious our son was hurt I will say: He borrowed a revolver after we had gone to Conference with which he was trying to shoot a rabbit but shot a hole through his hand.

By a unanimous vote of the church Brother Hubbard was set apart to the ministry. He is a young man of good character. He was raised as the saying goes, a Dunkard. We recommend him to the brotherhood. B. H. FLORA.

### TWO RESPONDED.

On returning from Conference the first Sunday morning we had an excellent service, with a good spiritual feeling. At the close of the sermon an invitation was given and two responded to the call. One was a married lady and the other a young girl of about twelve summers. The Lord bless them and keep them safe, and qualify them as his own workers in his vine-

yard, and finally land them "on Canaan's side," is my prayer.

Your brother in Christ,  
Z. T. LIVENGOOD.

### FROM MONTEVALLO, MO.

The Walnut Grove congregation of the Brethren Church situated at Montevallo, Mo., will hold its communion on Saturday night, Sept. 19. All are invited to be present.

W. S. HOKENDOFFER, Cor. Sec.

### FROM TWELVE MILE, IND.

Last night we finished our second year at Tiosa. At the close of the service one came forward and made the good confession, and this morning followed the blessed Master through the waters of regeneration. We stay with them another year.

D. A. HOPKINS.

### ANNOUNCEMENT.

Communion meeting in the Cowan-shannoc church, Armstrong Co., Pa., evening of Sept. 26th. Meetings to commence evening of the 24th and continue over the Sabbath. All of like precious faith are invited to participate.

J. B. WAMPLER.

Blanco, Pa.

### "YE CANNOT SERVE THE LORD."

Joshua foresaw the apostasies of Israel, by reason of their secret attachment to idols. His beautiful address to them just before his death is full of significant interest to us. All the goodness of God to them from the day in which he brought them out of Egypt until the day in which he had given them the good land was set before them in that farewell address, which closed with the exhortation: "Now, therefore, fear the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and truth; and put away the gods which your fathers served on the other side of the flood, and in Egypt; and serve ye the Lord" (Josh. 24: 14.) To this exhortation the people made answer: "God forbid that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods." No doubt they were sincere in their profession, and in the expression of horror at the thought that they would ever forsake the Lord. At the same time they were secretly holding on to some of her idols. If it is asked how they could be at the same time sincere in professing unwavering allegiance to the Lord, and cherish a love for idols, we need not go far to find the answer.

Israel's apostasy never took the form of openly and formally rejecting Jehovah as the true God; but in mixing with the worship and service of Jehovah the worship and service of idols. It was this which Joshua foresaw and warned them